



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

Girls and Women in Sports Day

WHEREAS, National Girls and Women in Sports Day began in 1987 as a day to remember Olympic volleyball player Flo Hyman for her athletic achievements and her commitment to assure equality for women's sports; and

WHEREAS, all levels of girls' and women's athletics are effective avenues through which girls and women in the United States develop self-discipline, initiative, confidence and leadership skills, regardless of their background; and

WHEREAS, the bonds built between girls and women through athletics help break down the social barriers of racism and prejudice and enhance communication and cooperation skills that play a crucial role in the athlete's contributions at home, work and to society

WHEREAS, a need for increased opportunities for girls to participate in and pursue physical activity at the community and scholastic level is essential to increase health and well-being and develop lifelong fitness habits at an early age; and

WHEREAS, this year's Girls and Women in Sports Day theme is "Play, Believe, Achieve";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER Governor of the State of Idaho do hereby proclaim February 5, 2011, to be

GIRLS AND WOMEN IN SPORTS DAY

in Idaho, and call upon the citizens of the State of Idaho to recognize the important role athletics play in the development of young women throughout the country.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 5th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-first.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE